

Fletcher Reinhardt John Reinhardt, Vice President 3105 Corporate Exchange CT Bridgeton, MO 63044

March 6, 2012

Dear Mr. Reinhardt,

Update Regarding Elevated Odors in the Vicinity of Bridgeton Landfill

Over the past year you may have observed an elevated level of odors associated with the Bridgeton Landfill located at 13570 St. Charles Rock Road. As we have discussed in the past, these odors are emanating from the closed sanitary landfill. Additionally, you may have noticed recently that these odors became more potent from time to time depending on many weather related factors, particularly wind direction and speed, barometric pressure and temperature.

We apologize for the inconvenience that the landfill odors may have become lately. Rest assured that, although unpleasant, the odors are not harmful. The health and safety of our employees and our community are of utmost importance to us. The odors are unpleasant but are not a health risk. Even those working directly at the point sources of the odors do not require any special personal protective equipment.

The landfill continues to work very hard to address these odors in a timely manner. Efforts are made on a daily basis to identify these landfill odor point sources. Some of our efforts, which will have a positive impact, may initially result in a short-term increase but should decrease odors long term.

You may have noticed increased construction activity at the landfill over the past year. These activities are related to continued improvements to enhance methane collection as well as capturing and minimizing odors. Since these unique odors were first detected in late December 2010 by landfill personnel, Bridgton Landfill has installed a significant amount of odor collection infrastructure. Additionally, Bridgeton Landfill recently leased an odor neutralizing system to attempt to decrease landfill odors beyond the property boundary. These improvements are on-

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going and it is anticipated that additional improvements will be needed as point sources are identified.

As soon as landfill odor generating point sources are identified, corrective actions are immediately discussed and ultimately implemented as timely as possible. In some cases, due to the complexity of these corrective measures the positive results may not be immediate, especially if qualified contractor(s) must be mobilized and materials have to be located, procured, and delivered. It is likely that over the next three to five weeks landfill odors may increase due to additional scheduled improvements to the landfill gas/odor collection system. We appreciate your patience while we continue to implement these improvements.

All plans to address the odors are being done in full coordination with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and the St Louis County Department of Health which regulates and monitors our operations.

I would be happy to discuss these improvements in detail with you, as well as the current status of the landfill, should you desire. I will be conducting follow-up visits on March 8th and 9th to ensure that you received this letter, and hope you or your staff is available to discuss the landfill with me at this time.

I understand that at times these odors may be unpleasant and would appreciate it if you would contact me when you feel that the landfill odors are excessive. This will not only serve as a notification but also help me and my team track and predict the odor dispersion patterns.

Please feel free to contact me anytime by email at <u>dvasbinder@republicservices.com</u> or by phone at my office (314) 744-8166 or my cell phone at (314) 249-9404 with any questions or concerns regarding the landfill.

Sincerely,

Bridgeton Landfill, LLC,

David Vasbinder

Environmental Manager